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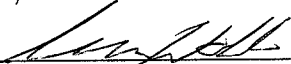
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**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT DATED  
JUNE 23, 2008**

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Sir:

This paper is submitted in response to the Restriction Requirement dated June 23, 2008 for which the date for response was July 23, 2008. A request for a three-month extension of time to respond is included herewith along with the required fee. This three-month extension will bring the due date to October 23, 2008, which is within the six-month statutory period. Should such request or fee be deficient or absent, consider this paragraph such a request and authorization to withdraw the appropriate fee under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 to 1.21 from Fulbright & Jaworski L.L.P. Account No.: 50-1212/UTSH:264US.

An **Amendment to the Claims** begins on page 3 of this paper.

A **Response to the Restriction Requirement** begins on page 7 of this paper.